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Michigan Mink Production

Mink pelt production in Michigan was 53,200 pelts in 2014, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Field Office. Female mink bred to produce kits in 2015 totaled 17,550.

Mink pelt production in the United States in 2014 totaled 3.76 million pelts. Wisconsin, the largest mink producing State, produced 1,268,760 pelts. Utah, the second largest producing State, produced 958,760 pelts.

The number of pelts by color class as a percent of the total U.S. production in 2014 is as follows: Black at 50 percent, Mahogany at 24 percent, and Blue Iris at 8 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 18 percent. Value of mink pelts produced during the 2014 crop year was \$217 million. The average price per pelt for the 2014 crop year was \$57.70.

Nationally, female mink bred to produce kits in 2015 totaled 853,140. Percent of total females bred to produce kits in 2015 by color class is as follows: Black at 52 percent, Mahogany at 21 percent, and Blue Iris at 8 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 19 percent.